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## Paranoia.

BY LEO.

Jerome has come to the conclusion that Harry K. Thaw is and has been for a long time a paranoiac, and his opinion is based on the affidavits of seven learned alienists. If the court concludes thus, the trial for murder will come to an abrupt ending; and the prisoner will be sent to some hospital for the criminal insane.

What is paranoia? To most of our readers it is all Greek, doubtless. Well, it is all Greek—a Greek word, not translated, but transferred to our language. In plain English, it means beside one's self, a mad man.

A paranoiac is not an irresponsible person. He may know well the meaning of his acts, and the quality of such acts, good or evil; but under the influence of a bad temper or ardent spirits, may commit criminal acts, and be punished as the law directs. Thaw is technically sane, that is, he is sane within the meaning of the law in the state of New York, and may be sent to the electric chair if a jury can be found to convict him; but, in a psychological sense, he is beside himself, a paranoiac, as the alienists call him.

A paranoiac is not a maniac, but a person of unsound mind liable to freaks and mad follies. He is subject to delusions, and under a strong provocation may become a dangerous man, especially if under the influence of alcoholic drinks or sexual passion.

A paranoiac may pass through life without becoming violently insane if he be free from moral faults, or if he be a religious person. People will only notice that he is somewhat cranky at times, especially under excitement. He has not the best sense at any time, make him mad, he has none at all.

In the nature of things such a mental ailment is incurable. There is no way to reconstruct the unbalanced mind. All alienists agree in saying that a paranoiac is incurable.

Now if Thaw is afflicted with such a disordered mind he will escape the electric chair and go into the mad house. Jerome is right in the position he has taken in the trial to the effect that Thaw was sane, within the meaning of the law, when he shot his rival. He knew what he was about and knew he was doing wrong; but still was psychologically of unsound mind—a man of abnormal egoism, a visionary and liable to outbursts of cruelty.

What shall we do with paranoiacs? We can not kill them all, we can not find places for all of them in asylums, for they are too numerous. There is no way to deal with them, except to wait for them to become a menace to society, commit a crime, and then send them to confinement.

Lawyer Delmas undertook an impossible task when he attempted to prove Thaw temporarily insane, but usually sane. His own witnesses, under cross-examination, proved more than was wanted of them, they made out Thaw a paranoiac, and therefore permanently insane and incurable.

If the court will take this view, a commission in lunacy will be appointed; and if the commission will report him insane, the trial for murder will end forthwith. If the commission will say that Thaw is a sane man, the trial will be resumed, but acquittal will be the verdict. Jerome can



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not have the heart to push for a verdict of guilty after saying what he did about Thaw's mental unsoundness.

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## Otterbein.

Mrs. Sarah Bower is spending the week with T. L. Howell and family, and Peter Pearce, wife and son Glen and Herschel Niswonger spent Sunday with them.

Perry Niswonger and family and George Shaffner and family spent Sunday with Earl Niswonger and family.

Lewis Westfall left Ansonia Thursday morning and came to Savona where his intended bride, Miss Eva Odell, joined him and going to Newport, Ky., were married at 12 o'clock noon by Rev. Carlisle of the Baptist ministry. They returned the same evening to Ansonia, where the groom had a newly furnished home prepared. We, their many friends, wish them a long and happy life.

Samuel Grubbs of Greenville was calling on old time friends the last of the week.

Mrs. Martha Shumaker is very much improved at this writing; a trained nurse from Cincinnati has been with her for two weeks.

Sunday visitors: John Byers and family at John Gilfillan's; John Siler and family of Hamburg at Albert Siler's; Rev. Hudde and family, Harrison Coblenz and wife, Jacob Geeting and wife at Jerry Minnich's; Ezra Slifer and wife at John Hetzler's.

## A Humane Appeal.

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## Gettysburg.

Next Sunday is Easter, and during the week will be helping the kids to find the rabbit nests filled with spotted and colored eggs. This is the way it was done in the childhood days long gone by and customs of the kind seldom done away with, or fail, and the more especially this one on account of the important event it celebrates. Easter observance in a suitable way will survive after many other customs pass from the care of man. May it ever be celebrated in some suitable and innocent way.

On next Sunday evening our Methodist Sunday school will give an interesting Easter service and make the occasion a missionary event in the way of an effort to increase the missionary collection for the church. Let every person take note of this and lend a helping hand to this worthy object and secure to the Sunday school the plaudit of well done!

The weather has been superb for the time of year for a week or more, and people generally are pushing their spring work. Some oats have been sowed, early garden making is in evidence and some potatoes planted. Everybody seems to be taking time by the forelock and doing something to be abreast with the season. Carpenters are beginning their contracted jobs, and from indications this season will surpass all previous ones for quantity and quality of improvements—more and better buildings will be erected here than ever before. C. J. Miller was the first to begin a new building this spring, and already has the foundation of his new dwelling well on the way. Lehman & Myers have begun the demolition of the Kee-fauver residence and will soon begin the erection of their bank and business house. Old landmarks are disappearing.

Miss L. M. Davis is removing her stock of dry goods, &c., to Dayton, the vacated room to be stocked by Lehman & Williams, who heretofore clerked for P. B. Moul. Mr. Williams quit his clerkship with the latter last Saturday to take up his new position.

Mrs. Esther Moist will succeed Miss Edna Davis in our telephone office, as the latter will take a situation in a telephone office in Dayton.

William Collins, living here several years ago, died at Covington last Saturday of phthisis, after a long illness. His remains were buried at Sugar Grove cemetery today, attended by a few relatives and neighbors of this place.

Samuel Etter is donning the

toggery of clerk at Moul's store. S. M. Butt, late of the city, is sojourning here.

Persons fond of the dandelion herb have been busy gathering messes of it to gratify their taste for it from the supply already in evidence over the lawns and fields.

Miss Mabel Stoltz, attending Oxford University, and Glen Stoltz, attending State University at Columbus, are home with their parents, J. H. Stoltz, for a few days.

Miss Nora Miller has returned home from the Columbus hospital, where she underwent an operation on her head for catarrh, so far recovered as to be discharged, after an absence of about four weeks.

Mar. 25.

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COSMOS.

A number of farmers are sowing oats this fine weather.

William Crist, who has been sick with lagrippe, is improving. Joel Zumbrun's of North Dayton spent Sunday with Philip Cool's. Mr. Zumbrun expects to move to Union City soon.

Arthur Smith has returned from North Manchester, Ind., and expects to spend several weeks with A. J. Minnich.

Jonas and Hettie Wise are having a siege of the measles. Peter Smith and wife of Ansonia spent Sunday with friends here.

Miss Velma Oswalt returned from Brookville Saturday.

The J. U. L. S. will give their last program next Friday evening, which will consist of a debate between Ohio and Indiana talent.

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The Designer For April.

April was chosen for the Easter number of The Designer because costumes appropriate for Easter are more suitable for April than for March. And the designs of the new spring dresses are very attractive. The grace and practicality of The Designer models are winning many new friends among well-dressed women because of the ease of making and correctness in the fit. Several articles, illustrated in detail, are devoted to the April bride. New spring hats are illustrated so clearly that they may be copied, and the regular advance article by Laura Seiple, this time on the coming dainties of dress, has its accustomed place in the center of The Designer. Mary Kilsyth contributes an illustrated article, which, like all such material in The Designer, will be found to be of practical application in the home. The fiction in the April number is of more than ordinary interest. An Easter play for little folks will prove to be another possibility for home entertainment. And besides these there are many more articles of use and interest among the regular departments of The Designer which Designer readers know and look for from month to month.

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## WASHINGTON LETTER.

Nothing has occurred to in any way lighten the railway situation. There is no more definite information from the White House of what the president intends to do than there was a week ago. All talk tends toward a prosecution of Mr. Harriman.

It is said that the forces of Morgan, Hill and Stuyvesant Fish are combining on the big-little railroad magnate, and that if they can encompass a government prosecution, one will be instituted. Of course it is not their business to dictate what the government shall do in the case, but they can throw much light in a quiet way on some of the dark by-ways of railroad manipulation, and can help out the Department of Justice in a number of ways if they are so inclined. And they seem to be inclined.

There is little doubt that the call of Governor Deneen at the White House had to do with the Harriman case more than with anything else. It is in the state of Illinois, if anywhere, that Mr. Harriman can be brought to book for the stock jobbery in connection with the Alton road. It is believed that the state authorities are ready to undertake a case of this sort against him, and the president will be cheerful to have them do it. The chief chance for a federal prosecution is under the Sherman anti-trust law, and this, it is said, would make out a case almost exactly parallel with the Northern Securities case which the government won. There will be a hearing before the Interstate Commerce Commission on April 4 when some of the attorneys for the Harriman system will present their side of the case to the Commission tending to establish the legality of the various moves made in effecting the combination. When this statement is made it will be taken up by the Commission and a special report will be prepared for the Department of Justice by Frank Kellogg and Charles Severance, special attorneys for the Commission in this case. There is considerable doubt whether there will be anything in the case that can be dealt with under the Interstate Commerce act. But it is believed that an even more complete case can be made out under the Sherman act than was done in the combination of the Hill lines. It seems certain that the suppression of competition in the country affected was greater. There is also the case of the Oregon Short Line which may be used as the basis of a separate prosecution. Certain it is that the most of the important callers at the White House recently have come away breathing dire prophecies of the things that were going to happen to Mr. Harriman. So it is possible that he will be taken to make an example of if

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possible for the benefit of other, though perhaps less noted, exponents of "high finance".

The Interstate Commerce Commission has come to the conclusion that it was doing too much work for the money even at its increased salary. Perhaps that is hardly a fair statement. The Commission is really a hard working body and it shows no disposition to shirk. But it cannot do everything with only twenty-four hours in the day, and it has decided hereafter to spend the bulk of its time in Washington and leave the taking of testimony over the country to special agents who will report direct to Washington. This is interesting to the outside world as it will open up a number of desirable engagements in the shape of deputy commissionerships. These special agents will be stationed at the big railroad centres such as New York, Chicago, St. Louis and Kansas City. They will have charge of certain defined territory. Disputes arising in these districts will be adjusted if possible by the deputy commissioner on the ground. If it is an important case, it will be referred to Washington and in cases that would demand a set hearing and where some of the commissioners ordinarily would come from Washington to hold court, the testimony will be taken by a deputy. This will leave the commissioners free of an enormous amount of railway travelling. And it will enable them to get through much more work in the course of a year than they would have done under the old system.

Secretary Taft is going to start this week for the sort of a vacation trip that Mr. Roosevelt has been in the habit of taking so often. It is merely a trip where the vacation will consist in doing a different sort of work, but more of it. He is to start from Washington, go south by rail to Charleston, and take a ship that will land him in Panama. He will make an inspection of the canal zone with a view to reorganizing the local government,

and see what has been done in the way of testing the foundation site for the Gatun dam and locks. He will have a number of competent outside engineers along to advise him from a technical standpoint. He also will be accompanied on the trip by Senator Kitteridge and representatives Burton and De Armoud. On his way back he will take a look at Porto Rico, where the natives recently have been agitating for autonomy. He will be the guest of Governor Winthrop while on the island, and the governor probably will come back with him to this country. It is not likely that the Porto Ricans will get much more than they are now getting in the way of self government, the indications being that they have all now that will be good for them for some years to come. From Porto Rico, the party will go to Cuba. Here will be one of the hardest tasks of the whole trip, for the Secretary will be called upon to decide whether the islanders are ripe to handle their own affairs once more, and on his decision will depend whether or not there will be elections in the island this fall preparatory to withdrawing the United States troops. If the elections are not held, it will mean that the island will remain under American management perhaps for a year longer. This continuance of the American protectorate will be very agreeable to the large property holders in the island, and as the most of them are foreign subjects, it will be welcome also to a number of foreign governments. In fact, it is understood that Great Britain and France have already expressed a hope that we will hold on to Cuba for some time longer, the longer the better from their point of view.

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